

# MoDOT Express Lane

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### Look How Far We've Come

MoDOT Director Pete Rahn touted the dramatic improvement of the state's transportation system and the department itself during his recent State of Transportation address. He also emphasized future challenges, including a big decrease in funding coming in 2010 and an \$18 billion gap between transportation needs and projected funding. [Address](#)

### Bridge Program Highlighted In Governor's Capitol For A Day Visit

As Governor Matt Blunt brought the state capital to Farmington recently, one of his stops was a bridge that's so old and worn-out it will need to be closed soon if repairs aren't made. [Safe](#)

## SAFER ROADS

### Dynamic Youth Web Site Launches

[www.saveMOyouth.com](http://www.saveMOyouth.com)

Missouri youth have a fun, engaging resource to learn about traffic safety at [www.saveMOyouth.com](http://www.saveMOyouth.com). The Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety recently launched a sub site to the SaveMOlives.com web site that is specific to youth and their interests as they prepare to travel and drive in Missouri. [Youth](#)

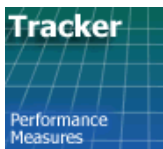
### First Responders Attend Vital Training on Hybrid Electric Vehicles

First responders across Missouri recently attended vital training in Joplin to learn the safest way to respond to crashes involving hybrid electric vehicles and vehicles with advanced airbag systems. With hybrid cars and airbag safety features becoming more common, it's essential that first responders to crash sites know how to handle the potential dangers of undeployed airbags and high-voltage vehicle battery systems. Other training sessions will be held around the state.

### MoDOT's Web Map Tracks Winter Road Conditions

As snow arrives in Missouri this winter, up-to-the-minute road conditions are available on MoDOT's online traveler information map at [www.modot.org](http://www.modot.org). The map will be updated continuously through any storms to show whether major roads are clear, partly covered, covered or closed. [Traveler Map](#)

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### MoDOT Tracks Its Performance

MoDOT's Tracker is a tool to assess how well the department delivers its services and products. Much like a GPS tracking system, this tool can only show the direction in which the department is headed. It is published quarterly to ensure accountability and allow MoDOT's customers to see the progress made towards results. [Tracker](#)



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